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## V NEVARNOSTI ALI POTREBI

V noci **NEVA** se navadno ne zavedamo vsakdanjih dob in zadostnosti, ki nam jih naklanja dobra usoda, in jih ne cenimo, vsaj ne zadost. Na primer, kako malo se zavedamo vrednosti zdravja, kadar in dokler ga imamo, ker se nam zdi nekaj samoumevnega! Ne zavedamo se, kako srečni smo, ko gremo lahkih sreč in lahkih nog po naših poslih, ko brez prevelikega napora opravljamo naša vsakdanja dela in si služimo eksistenco ter nismo v resno breme nikomur. Toda, kadar nas bolezen ali ponosrečba položi na posteljo, se zavemo, kako krasno je zdravje, obenem pa tudi, kako zaželjena in zlata vredna je takrat dobra podpora organizacija.

Vaš urednik se je bil pred meseci moral podati na operacijo. Bilo ni nič nevarnega in nič hudega, samo za par tednov je bil privezan na posteljo. Postrežbo je imel prvorstno in, da se ni dolgočasil, so poskrbeli številni sobrati in prijatelji. Kljub temu se je takrat, bolj kot kdaj poprej v življenju, zavedel, kako lepo je biti zdrav, ko se človek giblje, kakor ga je volja. In kako prav prišli so češki slovenskih podpornih organizacij, katerih član je že desetletja, ko je bilo treba pokriti stroške operacije in kar je z njim v zvezi! Asesmenti, plačevani tem organizacijam, so bili že davno pozabljeni, in prihranki najbrž ne bi bili niti za cent višji, če ne bi bil plačeval tistih asesmentov. In v koliko večji meri se vrednostne dobre podporne organizacije zavedajo tisti, katere bolezen ali ponosrečba položi na bolniško posteljo za dolge mesece! Škoda, da na take reči vse preradi pozabljam, kadar smo zdravi. Ako bi se na to večkrat spomnili, bi bili stokrat bolj vneti za našo Ameriško bratsko zvezo in druge slovenske podporne organizacije in bi se mnogo bolj potrudili, da pridobimo v naše vrste vse naše prijatelje, ki še niso člani.

Slovenci, ki smo se iz rodne Slovenije priselili v Zedinjene države, smo to deželo vzljubili; dasi morda le nekako nevedoma ali podzavestno. Najboljši dokaz, da smo jo vzljubili, je v tem, da se nismo vrnili v naše rodne kraje, dasi so bile za to do nedavnega še vse prilike. Ostali smo tu, ker nam je tu ugajalo, in postali smo državljanji te republike, ker smo to žeeli in hoteli. V znatni akno ne v največji meri so bile za to odločilne gospodarske prilike: boljši zaslugek in udobnejši pogoji življenja. Toda v veliki meri nam je to deželo priljubilo tudi dejstvo, da tu ni ostro začrtanih družabnih razredov in da je vsako pošteno delo spoštovan. Bančni predsednik in rudar, ki s kramponom koplje rudo globoko pod zemljo, sta oficielno enakovredna. Glas državnega governerja in glas cestnega pometača sta enakovredna na volilni dan, ko se izbira vladna mesta, države in dežele. Postavljajalc, ki delajo zakone, in sodniki, ki nam merijo pravico, so izvoljeni od ljudstva. Vsak posameznik čuti, da sodeluje pri upravi dežele. Dostojna in upravičena kritika ni nikomur prepovedana. Vse to in še mnogo drugih lepih lastnosti republike pa se razvija v ozračju svobode, kot je nima noben drug narod na svetu.

To ameriško svobodo in vse, kar se dobrega in plenitevga razvija in uspeva v tej svobodi, smo vsi vzljubili, dasi morda le nekako podzavestno, ker smo jo pač smatrali za nekaj samoumevnega. Toda sedaj, ko je bila Amerika napadenja po nadutem Aziju in po zverinah evropskega nazifašizma, ko preti resna nevarnost ameriški svobodi in vsemu, kar je lepega in dobrega v zvezi z njo, smo se zdrznili. Sedaj, ko je vsled vojnih razmer naša osebna svoboda tu in tam okrnjena, ko je vsled teh razmer potreba neka omejena cenzura, ko si bomo morali to ali ono ugodnost odreči, ko bomo morali upoštevati nekatere sitne in neprijetne regulacije, šele sedaj se začenjamo zavedati, kako velika in dragocena je bila naša dosedanja skoro neomejena svoboda.

Šele sedaj smo se začeli zavedati, da za obrambo te svobode, tega ameriškega sistema življenja ni nobena žrtev prevelika. Sedaj vemo, da morajo biti za obrambo te dežele in te svobode posvečeni naši prihranki, naše delo in tudi naša življenja. Življenje brez svobode ni vredno svojega imena.

Nikdar prej se nismo tako zavedali, kako sladka je svoboda, kako krasna in dobra je naša domovina Amerika, kot se zavedamo zdaj. Nikdar prej nismo tako globoko čutili, kako naša je Amerika in kako smo mi njeni. Zato naj ji velja kot naše novoletno voščilo: Amerika, dežela svobode, tvoji smo, z vsem, kar smo in kar premoremo; razpolagaj z nami!

## VSAK PO SVOJE

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Ves svet sovraži nemške nacije in zdi se, da je z Nemci skregano tudi vreme. V Rusiji jim je premrzlo, v Afriki pa prevróče.

Preteklo nedeljo je bil največji tepežni dan v novejši zgodovini. Tepli so se od Sebastopolja do Leningrada, od Črne gore do Tripolitanije, od Londona do New Yorka ter od San Francisco do Manile in Singapora. Some fight!

Zaradi vojne je prepovedano izdajati vremenske poročila, toda vojna cenzura ni tako stroga, da bi nam prepovedovala povediti, da znaša temperatura v Rusiji od 20 do 40 stopinj pod ničlo. Nemci to že vedo.

Tekom vsake politične kampanje nam kandidati različnih strank pripovedujejo, v kakem slabem stanju je dežela, toda volilci takih jeremijad ne vzamejo resno. Eden ali drugi mora pri bari nekoliko pozabavljati čez "kontro," v splošnem pa je ljudstvo v globini srca prepričano, da je ta dežela vseeno izredno dobra in kar sijava. In to notranje prepričanje je planilo na dan kot tisoč kresov, ko je bila ta naša dežela napadeni. Stotisoči skušajo pomagati k narodni obrambi na različne načine. Zakladniški departement v Washingtonu prejema te čase toliko denarnih daril iz vseh mogočih slojev, da klerki ne morejo sproti posiljati potrdil. Delavci v mnogih podjetjih se prostovoljno obljudili prispetati po eno dnevno plačo na teden za obrambo dežele. V raznih mestih se snujejo klubi, katerih člani se zavežejo poslati v zveznemu zakladniškemu departmantu določeno vsoto za vsako sovražno vojno ladjo ali letalo, uničeno po ameriški vojni sili. Dobljene stave, kazni in dobjitki se nakazujejo blagajni strice Sama. Bogati in revni, starci in mladi, vsi skušajo po svojih močeh pomagati k obrambi dežele, zavedajoči se, da boljše dežele ni nikjer na svetu. Amerika je našla svojo dušo.

Ko zaveznički v tej vojni zmagajo, jim bo prihranjeno vsaj eno sitno delo. Italijanov jim ne bo treba razoroziti, ker to so že Nemci opravili.

Najlepša zavest, ki jo bomo odnesli iz starega v novo leto, je, da ameriški orel resolutno zasede hincavškega japonskega kajuta in da ruski medved še vedno preganja premraženega nemškega daksela po zasneženih ruskih stepah.

Pošta, telegrafske in eksprese držav ter razne trgovine pravijo, da še nikdar v zgodovini ne dežele ni bilo razposlatih toliko voščil in daril kot v letnji božični sezoni. Nevarnost, ki preti naši svobodni deželi, nas je čudovito zbljala. Ostali smo boljši sosedje, boljši prijatelji, boljši ljudje. Bližje smo idealu bratstva, kot kdaj prepop.

Tudi pisca te kolone niso pozabili prijatelji od blizu in da le. En prijetno duhete spomin je dospel celo iz daljne države Washington. Več ne povem, da čitalateljem ne zbudim nepotrebnih skromin. Iskrena hvala vsem in vsakemu. Res, lepo je imeti prijatelje.

Dokončujemo leto 1941, tisto leto, v katerem so bile Hitlerjeve čete prvič premagane in vržene nazaj. Dalje sledi.

Včasih se obregam ob samopostavljene državni, ki hočejo vladati svet iz zapečka, na samopostavljene generale, ki vodijo vojske like nobody's business, in na samopostavljene ad-

## ZRAK TANKI, TOPOVI, SMODNIŠNICA, AVTOBOMILI IN OGROMNA ZALOGA SELTRIVA

mirale, ki vozijo barke in jih potaplja pri bari. Pa nisem sam nič boljši. Na božični dan, na primer, sva s prijateljem Birtichem, sestavila popolnoma nov provizorični svetovni red, pometla sva Japonce s Pacifikom in jim bombardirala Tokio, in naščuvala sva ruskega medveda, da je pricapljal prav do Jadranškega in Sredozemskega morja. Just like that! In ne vem kam bi bila še prišla z najinimi zavojevanji, če ne bi bila Mrs. Birtich izsilila začasnega premirja s pečenim kopunom. Rekla je, da če ne prenehava kodačati, bo pečeni kopun začel kikirikati, kar bi bilo protinaravno in kar škandalozno.

Tako, naj bo dovolj za letos. Se pa spet oglasim po novem letu, če me Miss Flu ne obišče. Navadno se vselej oglasi pri meni okoli novega leta in jaz se veselim kot zobozdravnikovega svedra. Če se bom jaz pokoril z njenem obiskom, pa vsaj vam želim srečno in veselo novo leto!

A. J. T.

## TEROR NAD SLOVENCI V ITALIJI

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Carlo Fallace (kar vsekakor ne pogreša simbolike, kajti "fallace" pomeni v italijansčini: zahrben, lažnjiv). Šestdeset obtožencev je branilo osemajst odvetnikov, večinoma iz Rima, seveda samo navidez, kajti polica je z znanimi sredstvi iz njih izvila priznanja že v preiskovalnem zaporu.

O ravnanju preiskovalnih oblasti z obtoženci pred razpravo najzgrovnejše govori dejstvo, da je okriviljeni absoluten agrikultura Anton Skok prosil mesecev maja za premestitev iz zaporov v Trstu v zapore v Rim, kajti "razmere so," kot je dejal v prošnji, "neznosne." Samo obtožnica proti njemu je obsegala 151 strani. Drugi slovenski obtožnici, o katerih so imena znana, so bili: Viktor Sošič, študent tehnik, Milan Bobek, dijak, Franc Kos, dijak, Lavo Čermelj, profesor, Ivan Ivančič, Tomazič in Vadan. Dijak Zelen je bil ustreljen v bojih z italijansko OVRA, ki ga je izsledila in skušala prijeti v bližini Ljubljane.

Državni tožilec Fallace je čital obtožnico dve uri. V svojem govoru je poudarjal, da so zato in vsi zločini delo slovenskih demokratičnih svobodnjakov ter "komunistov in teroristov," ki so hoteli spremeniti obstoječi red in državi in priboriti svobodo vsem Slovencem v Primorju, Istri in soški dolini ter prejšnji avstrijski Koroški. Hkrati pa je obtoženec obdolžil številnih posrečenih in nameravnih rušenj, poškodovanj in napadov na železnicne, vojašnice, tovarne orožja, smodnišnice in vlake po vsej severni Italiji in posebej ponosrečenega napada na "duce-ja." Dalje je obtožil zarotniške sestanje, prirejanja izletov s kolesi v kraje z italijanskimi utrdbami ob meji, izdajanja protidržavnega časopisa v slovenščini, brošur v jugoslovenskem duhu in velikega števila razglasov in letakov, hujskanja vojaštva, snavanja zarotniškega gibanja med slovenskimi vojaki in italijanski vojski ter sestankov z Jugoslovani ob meji. Tožilec Fallace jih je obdolžil tudi umorov in požigov.

V Chicagu so se dne 15. novembra sešli zastopniki vseh večjih slovenskih podpornih organizacij v Zedinjenih državah, ki so sklenili, da se v februarju vrši v Chicagu Slovenski narodni kongres, ki naj bi ukrepal, kaj se more v političnem oziru storiti z starokrajsko Slovenijo in Jugoslavijo. Eksekutivni odbor pa je 17. decembra sklenil, da se nameravani kongres odloži na nedoločen čas, to z ozirom na dejstvo, da je Amerika sedaj v vojni, in je situacija vselej tega popolnoma predoglašena.

Dne 6. decembra se je na ruski fronti pričela velika ruska ofenziva, ki vse od takrat ne prestane potiska Nemce nazaj. Dne 7. decembra so Japonci napadli Havaj in druga ameriška oružja v Klini, kjer so leteli v vojno Zedinjenim državam.

zrak tanki, topovi, smodnišnica, avtomobili in ogromna zaloge seltriva. Ko je Italija stopila v vojno, so skušali onemogočiti prevoz italijanskih čet proti jugoslovanski meji in postavljali dinamit med kolesja železniških vagonov. Pri tem je bil ujet Skok. V letu štirideset, po italijanskem vstopu v vojno so povzročili celo vrsto železniških nesreč in resne zastoje v prevažanju italijanskih vojakov in orožja. Obdolžili pa so jih tudi delovanja in podpiranja protidržavnega gibanja v severni Italiji, katerega posledica so bile eksplozije v Piacenzi in Bologni. Prav tako so bili obtoženi poiskusa porušenja železniškega mosta pri Podkloštru, ki veže Italijo z Nemčijo, ki pa se je ponesečil. Ponesečil se je tudi nameravani atentat na Mussolinija pri Kobaridu. Posamezni so bili obdolženi razrušenja železnic pri Trbižu, napada na tovarno dinamita v Turinu, na eksprešni vlak Rim-Genova, ki je skočil iz tira, na tovarno smodnika v Bresciji in povzročitve neštetnih eksplozij v Genova-Lecco. Slovenci so priznavali delovanje v Julijski Krajini, a zanikalni vsako zvezo z atentati v italijanskem delu Italije.

Državni tožilec je obtožence obdolžil zakrnjenosti in dejal, da so se v naprej pripravili in dogovorili o složnem nastopajuju pri razpravi. V sodni dvorani je bil nakonjen del dokaznega materijala. 450 kg nitroglicerina, 40 kg dinamita, 149 ročnih granat. Trije težki mitraljezi "Mauser," dve strojnici "Fiat," 85 samokresov. Večje število pušk. 75 malih zažigalnih bomb. Tone municie.

Samo pri porušenju ene smodnišnice je bilo pet in devetdeset mrtvih. Skupno število mrtvih je bilo dvesto štirinajst. Ranjenih okrog tisoč dvesto. Državni tožilec je vsega tega obdolžil Slovenia in za večino zahteval smrtno kažen.

Razprava je trajala ves teden. Italijanska poročevalna družba Stefani je 17. decembra sporočila:

"Devet Slovenev, ki jih je sodilo posebno sodišče za zaščito države v Trstu, je bilo danes obsojenih na smrт in določenih obtoženih na zavarovalnine. Za člana načrta "JA" — \$0.50; za člana načrta "JB" — \$2.00; za člana načrta "JC," s \$500.00 zavarovalnine — \$2.00; za člana načrta "JC," s \$1,000.00 zavarovalnine — \$3.00; za člana načrta "JD" — \$250.00 zavarovalnine — \$1.00; za člana načrta "JD" s \$500.00 zavarovalnine — \$2.00; za člana načrta "JD" s \$1,000.00 zavarovalnine — \$3.00."

Vse te nagrade so izplačljive še potem, ko so bile plačane trije meseci asesmenti.

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## OUR FUTURE SECURITY

With each passing year another colorful chapter in our book of life has been completed and laid to rest to take its place in our memory file. Again we have traversed another memorable year of activity—a year featuring a variety of important events that have been imprinted indelibly in our memory files. A year that has featured a full share of happiness and sadness, but always retaining in us that living flame—Hope! Our mixed and scattered emotions are drawn together, expectantly and hopefully as we launch our spirit and work into the New Year. Our holidays, re-unions and repasts are over. Again we are settling down to continue our job of living. Our country needs us more than ever before to help defeat the enemies who so treacherously are attempting to destroy the principles of living as a democratic, liberty-loving people. We are exerting every effort to overwhelmingly defeat these enemies and are cooperating with our government by purchasing Defense Bonds.

Unlike dictator governments—we are called upon to invest our money in our government's future, and when bonds mature, we shall be rewarded generously for the use of our money by the government, gaining additional accrued interest. Dictator governments take without consideration for the people; and inflict additional severe penalties if the people refuse. Aren't we glad Americans!

Investing in National Defense alleviates the danger of inflation. It provides future security for every investor. Insurance policy with the American Fraternal Union is an investment. An investment which will provide the future security and happiness for your family and

A wise thing to do at the beginning of the year would be to take your policy out of your drawer and carefully. If you are insured for \$250 or \$500 benefit, a good idea would be to see your lodge immediately and arrange to increase your insurance to at least \$1,000 under any of the popular plans offered, most prominent, especially for young members, the 20-pay Life; and the 20-year Endowment.

Complete happiness results only with the feeling of security. Your fraternal insurance policy with the gives you this security just as your Defense Bond give our entire Nation future security.

## Large Crowd Enjoys Lodge 138 Christmas Party in Export, Pa.

By Rose J. Kuznik,  
Lodge 138, AFU

Export, Pa.—Our Christmas is now an event of the Yes, and everyone had a time! As for having a crowd—there were so many people there that it was impossible to dance. Some came from far and wide. All I can say is that it was a swell crowd!

Am looking forward to our next lodge affair and I hope the dance floor is just as crowded then as it was on Saturday. Kovacic's is a nice place to have affairs, so come again, folks! "KEEP 'EM FLYING!"

Women of Lodge 138, AFU, bowled Dec. 26th, day after Christmas.

## Fighting 71st Johnnies

By Elsie M. Desmond

Cleveland, O.—Now that the Christmas holidays are over, everyone is looking forward to New Year's Eve and what is in store for the future. I'm extending my best wishes for a most Happy New Year to all our members of AFU and to the readers of Nova Doba—for 1942—may we have good luck, prosperity and a good time.

Election results for St. John's Lodge No. 71, held Sunday, December 21st, 1941: Anton Baran, president; Anton Rudman, vice-president; Elsie M. Raymond, secretary (1971 Aragon Ave.); John Cerne, recording treasurer; "Smiley" Yeagor, trustee and Henry Zagorec, athletic supervisor. The greatest change was that the former secretary, Mr. Kapelj, had the job for the past two years. And what a good job

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## Lodge 30 Has Fine Record

Chisholm, Minn.—According to the Chisholm, Minn., "Tribune-Herald," issue of Dec. 25th, Lodge 30, AFU, elected Anton Hren president for his tenth consecutive term. The meeting took place Sunday, Dec. 21 in Mahne's Hall.

Other officers with long records of service renamed were: John Perush, vice-president, 8 years; Joseph Bovitz, financial secretary, 9 years; John Lamuth, treasurer, 8 years.

Frank Udovich was named recording secretary and Frank Tekautz was named chairman of the auditing committee which also includes Louis Ambrozich and Anton Pluth Sr.

According to the report of Bro. Joseph Bovitz, financial secretary, the total business transactions of the lodge, including assessments, sick, and death benefits have totaled \$202,000 in the last eight years. The lodge has 366 members and 200 enrolled in the juvenile department.

*A five-act comedy* and a dance will feature entertainment planned by Chicago AFU lodges at the School Hall, Cermak Road and Wolcott St., Jan. 11, 1942.

*Yadran Post No. 3*, American Yugoslav Legion of Cleveland, Ohio, is sponsoring a program and dance Sunday, Jan. 4 in the Slovene National Home on 65th and St. Clair Ave. Proceeds will be added to the fund for Yugoslav Relief.

## BRIEFS

### NOTICE TO LODGE SECRETARIES

All lodge secretaries are requested to submit names of the newly elected athletic supervisors of respective lodges as soon as possible to: Stanley J. Pechaver, Athletic Commissioner, 6233 St. Clair avenue, Cleveland, O. Preparations for 1942 athletic activities among our lodges will be facilitated if the athletic commissioner receives the names and addresses of newly-elected athletic supervisors at once.

*40th Anniversary* of Lodge 26, AFU, of Pittsburgh, Pa., was commemorated at a banquet held in the Pitt Slovene National Home Sunday, Dec. 28th. Bro. Anton Zbasnik, supreme secretary, was main speaker at this stellar event. Earlier in the day, the Western Penn. Federation of AFU lodges held their meeting, then participated in festivities in connection with the affair held by Lodge 26.

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*Frank J. Jancar*, Hollywood, Cal., a former resident of Lorain, Ohio, where he still is a member of lodge 6, AFU, spent a short vacation with his friends at home and in Cleveland before proceeding, Jan. 5th to Washington, D. C. where he has accepted a defense position with the government. A photographer in Hollywood, Bro. Jancar will pursue his work for the United States. He was among

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## Lodge 130

DePue, Ill.—Members of Lodge 130, AFU, of DePue, Ill., are reminded that it was decided at the annual meeting to conduct our 1942 lodge meetings every second Sunday of each month at the same place and time as in the past.

Next meeting will be held Sunday, Jan. 11 and members are urged to attend. A report for the year 1941 will be given and newly elected officers will be installed on this occasion.

I extend to all members of the Supreme Board and all members of the American Fraternal Union, best wishes for a Happy New Year.

Ignac Benkse, secretary, Lodge 130, AFU.

## Lodge No. 1

Ely, Minn.—Regular monthly meetings of Lodge No. 1, AFU, Ely, Minn., will be held in the Jugoslav National Home, the second Sunday of each month at 10 a. m., beginning in January and for the remainder of 1942. Next meeting at which newly-elected officers will be installed will be held Jan. 11 at 10 a. m.

Elected athletic supervisor for the lodge was Joseph Kovach, 342 East Sheridan street, Ely, Minnesota. Wishing everyone a Happy New Year!

Joseph J. Kovach, sec'y, Lodge No. 1, AFU.

*Center Ramblers Lodge* No. 221, AFU, are sponsoring a 11th Anniversary dance Saturday, Jan. 17th, 1942.

## PLENTY EXCITEMENT AS 3 TEAMS TOP IN CHICAGO AFU LEAGUE

Chicago, Ill.—There was plenty of excitement at the bowling alleys last Friday. A three-team-tie for first position in the Chicago AFU Bowling league existed after the trundling was over and the old year comes to a close.

Wencel's Dairy took the spotlight when they beat the leading Zefran Morticians two games out of three, putting themselves in the tie position.

Captain Joe Fajfar did some fine work, rolling a 218 solo and a 518 series for the winners.

Maryton Cafe again crept

back into winning form by taking two games over the Gottlieb Florists — also tying for the league lead. Captain Lou Dolmovich, jr., of the Cafe five

was top-scorer totaling 527 series which included a 210 solo.

Tony Kovacic with 193 and Lawrence Golenko's 174 were high for the losers.

### Sport Bits

There hasn't been a week since a bowler didn't hit the 200 circle. Those in now are: Tony Kovacic, 222; Joe Fajfar, 218; Chester Harey, 216; Louis Zefran, 214; Frank Gottlieb, 212; Joe Zefran, 212; Louis Dolmovich, jr., 210; Frank Kovacic, 203; and Joe Tabor, 202. Tony Kovacic leads the high individuals with an average of 172. Joe Zefran takes the individual high three games with 595. Maryton Cafe holds both the team high single game—822; and team high three games — 2,276.

As the old year comes to a close the standings are as follows:

Team	W	L
Zefran Morticians	19	17
Maryton Cafe	19	17
Wencel Dairy	19	17
Gottlieb Florists	15	21
Louis Dolmovich, jr., pres.		
Chicago AFU Bowling League		

## LAUNCHING THE NEW YEAR - 1942

By Little Stan



Cleveland, O.—Ceremony surrounding the launching of a new ship for Uncle Sam's fast-growing Navy entails the smashing of a bottle of champagne against the bow seconds before the huge Queen of the seas

slides into the water. Earlier this week, plenty of champagne and other liquor was consumed as citizens throughout the land launched the year 1942 into our midst. That it will be an unusually eventful year is a foregone conclusion, but whatever comes up—the people will be ready.

Monday, Dec. 29th, marked a full year since your scribe arrived in Cleveland. To say it was a "full" year is no exaggeration as the events of AFU lodges kept your scribe busy and entertained all the way. And by the way, methinks that a year of "test" in this big metropolis has made your Little Stanley a full-fledged citizen. What do you think, Clevelanders? Any changes since we first entered your fair city?—Well, the whiskers are growing thicker; a few more strands have disappeared from the hair on his head—but otherwise, we can knock our knees together, let out a rousing "crow," take a deep breath, and say we still feel in fine fettle.

This column is being written the day after Christmas—before the New Year celebrations, so we can tell you what we're going to do to welcome 1942, but we can't say whether we're going to stick to what we say! Situations arise you know—and it seems that situation is destiny and as destiny has it, so it will be.

Christmas Eve was really homey with everything present except what the Editor of the Tower Weekly News calls "the beautiful," and that is snow. Remember days some years ago when we used to smile when this editor used the words "the beautiful" when he wrote about a recent snowfall. Now that we are away from "the beautiful" we know what this editor meant—and we raise our right hands and vow never to smile at the editor in that manner again. What do you say, Smitty?

Christmas in Cleveland was balmy and warm—likened somewhat to Easter in Minnesota. There wasn't a speck of snow

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## Invest Money In Defense of America, Morgenthau Urges! Calls for National Unity to 35 Million Americans!

The following address by U. S. Secretary of Treasury Henry Morgenthau before the first national meeting of the Defense Savings Organization delivered in Chicago, Ill., Wednesday, December 17, 1941.

This nation of ours has had a shock, but it is wiser and stronger for having had it. Every one of us must be conscious today of a clearer vision and a deeper understanding than we had two weeks ago. The bombs on Pearl Harbor have destroyed much more than what the censors would call "military objectives." They have ripped our complacency to shreds. They have blasted the old comfortable belief that the wide oceans could save us from harm. They have blown away the notion that brutality and deceit and murder in another part of the world could never touch us in ours.

We now know, or ought to know, that this whole world struggle is our war, just as much as it was to the people of Chungking or Warsaw in 1939, or to the people of Rotterdam or London in 1940, or to the people of Athens and Moscow in 1941. We now know, or ought to know, that there can be no half way method of fighting an attempt to dominate the entire earth. We now know, or ought to know, that this total war will require total effort on our part, with all our resources pledged to final and decisive victory.

We in this room, the men and women who direct the Defense Savings Organization in the 48 States, have been working hard for many months to mobilize our financial resources in the form of the people's savings. But we have, I think, done more than that. Since the very inception of the Defense Savings program, it has been one of our major objectives to give the American people a sense of their own direct and inescapable involvement in this great battle for our way of life. We have tried to make them realize that they were not isolated and could not be isolated from a struggle that would shape the future of everyone on this planet. We have tried to give the American people a greater pride in their own country and a greater awareness of the dangers that face them. We have tried to give every man, woman and child in this country a sense of direct participation in

its defense, a feeling that there is something for everyone to do in a great effort from which everyone will benefit in the end.

Looking back over the past eight months, I think we can all be proud of what has been accomplished. I believe in all sincerity that the devoted work of the Defense Savings staff and all our thousands of volunteer workers throughout the country has helped greatly to crystallize American opinion. I believe that the response to the bombs at Pearl Harbor was deep and wide and immediate partly because of our groundwork in the Defense Savings program.

We have given to millions a new sense of being partners of their Government, of having a direct share in America and in American freedoms. To me, it is an achievement of far greater proportions than the raising of the more than 2 billion dollars which have rolled into the Treasury since the Defense Bonds first went on sale in May.

Now that we have cleared the decks for action, it is up to us to follow through, and that is the main purpose of my being here with you today. We must follow through; not only in teams of a few million individuals or a couple of billion dollars, but by a determined effort to reach every individual in this country. For total wars are peoples' wars; and in this total war that has spread around the globe, the battlefield now reaches into every factory and every home.

There is no exemption for any group or any section. The Nazis and the Japanese make no exceptions in their conquests. The bombs that fell at Pearl Harbor were aimed straight at every one of us, and whatever the Nazis may attempt in the Atlantic will be aimed at every one of us. We are all in this war together.

Not all of us can pilot a bombing plane or fire a gun from the deck of a battleship. Those of us who are too old or too young to get into uniform will be asked to work longer hours and pay heavier taxes and do without many of our accustomed comforts; but in this Defense Savings effort we are not even being asked to give our money. We are just being asked to lend our money to the Government, to invest our savings for victory. That, it seems to me, is a call to which everyone

## Remember Pearl Harbor and Fight!

Editor's Note:—A Cleveland attorney, J. Albert Lowell, was credited as being among the first to pen a poem of Pearl Harbor and Jap treachery. Following is the narrative as it appeared in the Cleveland Press.

### "REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR AND FIGHT!"

From Sunday sky and sea so blue,  
The yellow horde struck Oahu,  
Retched forth their bombs to burn and rend  
The people, whom they still called friend.  
These murders wrought, although the white  
Their envoy sat, with treach'rous smile,  
A special messenger of peace,  
Sent by the wily Nipponese.  
A friendly outstretched hand revealed;  
Behind his back, a knife concealed.  
And thus the white peace flag he bore,  
Was desecrated red by war.  
And thus a costly loss incurred  
Since one could trust a nation's word.  
The noble knights of Arthur's band,  
Oft sent their champion flag in hand,  
And clad in rich caparison,  
He'd fight the champion Sarafan.  
The pirates of the Bar'bry coast,  
Of many cruelties did boast;  
Yet they fought not 'neath a white rag,  
The skull and cross bones was their flag.  
The savages, who ruled our shore,  
Great hatred toward the white man bore.  
Still their hostilities would cease,  
When they would smoke the Pipe of Peace.  
But now the Pipe of Peace must crack,  
The champion's stabbed behind his back;

Since faith with perfidy incurred,  
And Brutus rules with broken word.  
But not—he coward's knife was turned,  
The wound not fatal—merely burned;  
A nation outraged, through and through,  
Now girds its loins, for things to do:  
Gone now all faith in envoy's guiles,  
Gone now all trust in crooked smiles;  
Disunity and fear have fled;  
And left a will to do instead.  
And so our wound, the bad it be,  
Awakened us from lethargy,  
And pointed out to us the true  
And proper course, we must pursue.  
Our Flying Fortress motor's roar  
From Oahu to Singapore;  
Our Navy roams the far east sea,  
To bring Old Glory victory;  
Millions of voices rise in prayer,  
In our country and other there,  
That once again the world may be  
A place of honor, liberty.  
For without that no future lies  
For us, or for the little guys  
Too small, as yet, to go to war,  
But they're so worth-while fighting for,  
America has heard the call.  
It's all for one and one for all,  
An eagle, screaming in its might,  
Remember Pearl Harbor—and Fight.

**A Pre-Lenten Social** will be sponsored by Pittsburgher Lodge No. 196, AFU in Pittsburgh, Pa., February 7. Admission is \$1.00 for men; 50-cents for women.

will want to respond. We will want to do it to the very limit of our ability. We, the people, want to show that we are ready and eager to be of some service to our country.

It has given me real encouragement to be told that you of the Defense Savings Organization have been discussing detailed plans for intensifying and widening our effort, and that you have shown so much enthusiasm in these meetings. Our problem, as you all know, is one of financing the enormously expanding cost of the war while avoiding the immense and dangerous evils of inflation. I have said right here in Chicago, in a talk to the American Bankers Association, that we are in reality fighting two wars—one, the great struggle on all the continents and all the oceans, and the other the war against an insidious enemy here at home.

(Thanks Mother.)

To conclude wish to say this is the last article for the month of December and for 1941—hope that for the New Year I'll be able to bring you the same weekly news columns, but better (I'll try). And let us hope that we can have another year of success for our American Fraternal Union as we have had the past year. **HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!** (P. S. You can expect weekly columns from now on as the writer received a beautiful Corona typewriter from dear Santa.

## Fighting 71st Johnnies LITTLE STAN'S ARTICLE

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number as it is not listed in the book. And thanks again to the members for the election!

Our lodge bought a \$100 Defense Bond and for the future expect to buy more. \$2.00 worth of T. B. Seals were also purchased. For the annual Roosevelt Ball held January 30th of every year at the Slovenian Home on E. 65th and St. Clair, 10 tickets were bought and distributed among members. As Xmas gifts to the boys in the armed services \$2.00 was donated to the following: Tony Drenik, Tony Bokal, Louis Kushlan, Edward Kapel and Stan Tomsich.

Mr. Baraga and Mr. Bokal were elected representatives from our lodge to the meetings of the Slovene Home, the first meeting to take place January 18th. Bokal and Zagore were elected representatives to the Ohio Federation meeting to take place Sunday, February 1st at the Slovene Society Home, Recher Avenue, Euclid, Ohio.

Well, thanks for the nice buildup Frank. You can expect a big crowd of Johnnies for the Patriotic Dance Napredek Lodge is sponsoring the 31st of January at the S. S. H., Recher Avenue.

Christmas Day found many of our AFU'ers at the Loyalties Dance held at the Slovene Holmes Home with a big crowd present dancing to Yankie's orchestra. Our B. R. member and orchestra leader, Tony Malavasic did a few numbers and a number was dedicated to him as he is joining the coast guards next month. Christmas Eve at the Kogovsek home to eat and exchange gifts among the few friends present. I received a beautiful blue setting gold cross from Mrs. Kogovsek and I am indebted to her. Thanks so much, Mrs. Kogovsek. Anyhow it was a nice day!

And to all the other people who sent nice greeting cards—thanks a lot ...

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Elsie M. Desmond  
No. 71, AFU

### Briefs

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several photography technicians who were selected by the US for this Defense project.

**First meeting** of 1942 which will include installation of officers will be conducted Tuesday, Jan. 13 by George Washington Lodge No. 180, AFU, of Cleveland in room 4 of the interior building of Slovene National Home on E. 65th and St. Clair Avenue. Members should make every effort to attend.

**Napredek Lodge 132, AFU**, Cleveland, Ohio is sponsoring a Patriotic Dance in the Slovene National Home on Recher avenue in Euclid, Saturday, Jan. 31. Two \$25 Defense Bonds will be given away.

**Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kotzian** and Matt Ballas of Ely, Minn., visited with friends and relatives in Cleveland, Ohio over the Christmas Holidays.

## Health

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By F. J. Arch, M. D., Supreme Medical Examiner

Pittsburgh, Pa. — It is an old saying, and a true one, that "Upon the Health of Its People Rests the Strength of a Nation." This country or nation of ours is now at war. We are all duty-bound to help bring this war to a successful ending as soon as possible. Our first duty, therefore, is to keep our health in the best of shape so that we can do our utmost to help attain the end which a united Nation seeks.

It is not a gratifying reflection of potential manpower when approximately one-half of the youth of America, who have been physically examined, fail to meet the requirements for military service. The fact remains that the standards for military service are high and a large number of those rejected have merely minor defects which can be easily and quickly corrected. These minor handicaps are such that they have been negligible in civilian life and their correction has been neglected. At this time it is our duty to see that these defects are corrected so that every man, woman and child is physically fit because it is the duty of all to be fit.

Of course the actual fighting and defending will be done by the military forces. They, however, will not be able to do it all themselves as their efficiency depends on those at home. To keep a soldier at the front properly provided in World War I, it required six men at home working daily. In this war to keep one soldier properly provided it requires not six but sixteen men working daily. Those of us at home have been asked by our President for all out cooperation seven days a week and twenty-four hours a day. This will place an extra load on the physical and mental capacities of the entire nation.

The greatest aid we have in helping to do our utmost in defense of the land we love is our health. To be able to work daily without a telling effect on our bodies requires us to keep our health. Of course no one is expected to work twenty-four hours out of every day, but, we will be called on to do more than usual and we should therefore, do more to watch that illness does not prevent us from doing our best. As has been told before, proper food, proper rest, moderation in all our actions will help us keep well. If minor defects are present have them corrected before they grow into major defects. We should always remember that "Upon the Health of Its People Rests the Strength of a Nation."

With the rush of the season no rehearsals are possible. However, rehearsals are now being taken so preparations can be made for the orchestra to swing into action immediately after the beginning of the new year. T. Suhadolnik, Librarian, will be glad to give information as well as to those interested in the instruments they

## Notice To Uncle Sam's Recruits

All lodge members in the American Fraternal Union are notified to send in addresses of those members who have been recruited in Uncle Sam's Selective Service Army. Immediately after address of enrollee is submitted, the Nova Doba will be sent each week — anywhere in the country. Send in his address today.

city. Our heartfelt sympathies to the bereaved.

Thanks to all for their splendid thoughts conveyed in Christmas cards. And we hope you all had a pleasant New Year.

"Honorable John" Pogacnik, now of Uncle Sam's Army at San Antonio, Texas, formerly of the famed Struthers Cardinals remembered his friends who had done so much to make him feel right at home all the time. It really is appreciated.

A note from Martin L. Stepan, our good friend in Soudan,

Cleveland, O. — Round Two for A. F. U. spurred on by Frank's 520 total, rolled over Vila No. 1 for the games. So, with 21 wins losses, it puts the League in fourth place in fourth place in the games should push the higher. We must say the Poklar tried his best to win the I. V.'s No. 1 to win 215 game, and a 565 series wish him better luck this

As for the Bums team received no mercy from Ross, as they went down three games, in spite of Smrtnik's excellent score in the final game. We hunch, however, that the ing days are just about

By the way, all interested in attending Napredek's Patriotic Dance, please any of a dozen Napredekers, who will be glad to admission tickets. Also are interested in winning S. Defense Bond, your chance from any of our teams. Two \$20 will be given away Dance Saturday, January 31.

For Napredek, A. F. St.

A considerable amount of interest is being noticed in the community after information had been made concerning the formation of a concert orchestra at the Branch Library, 6495 Euclid Avenue. The decision to the formation of an orchestra was made after it was noted that no musical organization or facilities at the Branch and a music collection through the library would be negligible.

The need for an orchestra was realized when there was a call for an organization which would supply music for community affairs. Very likely a singing group would be formed and an orchestra and was willing to pay for services but no extra could be found. Casual survey it was also found that persons playing instruments expressed in playing with others from any financial considerations.

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**War Needs Money**

This war calls for every bit of energy, every dime saved we can muster for planes and guns.

Hit the enemy where it hurts. Hurt him where he lives. Help to blow him up.

Don't delay—every count. Buy United Defense Bonds and help to win TODAY.

# CAVALIERS UPSET IVIES NO. 1; JOHNIES DRUB BOOSTERS

Cleveland, O.—Last Friday's bowling session brought to a close the pin busting action for the year 1941 and the second round of play. For the Napredek Cavaliers, St. John Johnnies and Betsy Ross it resulted in an enjoyable evening as they ended the year in a grand slam style.

The Cavaliers came back to life after their three game loss to the Betsy Ross Flagmakers, by administering a stunning three game blow to the Ilirska Vila No. 1 crew. The whitewashed job put the Cavaliers back on the win march and on the five hundred mark in the standings. The cellar occupants, the St. John Johnnies pulled their upset tricks from the hat and handed three of them to the Collinwood Boosters. The three game victory enabled the Johnnies to climb out of the cellar position.

As the runner-ups the Ivies No. 1 and the Boosters were being handed a thrashing the Betsy Ross Flagmakers took advantage of this opportunity and went to work on the Napredek Bums and completed their job by taking three games. For the first time this season the league-leading Betsy Ross crew was able to have more than a one game lead. The Flagmakers now lead the league by four games. The three game reversal sunk the Bums into last place. The St. John Saints and the Ilirska Vila No. 2 encounter was packed with the thrills of a wild-west frontier days' movie. The Saints gained their lone victory by a mere margin of eight pins. While the Ivies No. 2 team won one of their games by only two pins. It was in this game that Laddie Debevec put in a Dick Merriwell finish. Bowling anchor on the team, Laddie had to strike out to win for his crew and he did it. The two game victory enabled the Ivies No. 2 to climb within one game of third place Boosters.

**Cavaliers on the March**  
It was Frankie Smrnik with a 520 total that aided the Napredek Cavalier to get on victory avenue. For the Ivies No. 1 Mike Poklar with a 565 series was high. Mike's series was high for the evening but it didn't do the Ivies any good.

**Johnnies Climb Out**  
The St. John Johnnies caught the Collinwood Boosters on their off night and the result was a clean sweep for the Johnnies. Joe Jermain and Joe Zubakovic led the Johnnies with 472 and 458 respectively. For the Boosters, Frank Fortuna with 468 and Tony Laurich with 467 were high.

## Traffic Killers

Cleveland, O.—Accident statistics for 1941 in Cleveland indicate the young people between the ages of 18 and 30 as the traffic killer. In 60 per cent of the fatal traffic accidents in 1941 the driver of the car involved was in the 18-30 age group. The same figures prove the elderly persons of 50 years or more to be the almost inevitable victim of the younger group, and also bringing out the fact that the vast majority of the victims were pedestrians at the time they were injured and had no driving experience whatever. These victims did not realize the dangerous physical forces to which they were subjecting themselves or the physical limitations of the operator of the car which struck them. They failed to take into consideration the speed or the weight of the vehicle and the distance required to bring it to

### Betsy Ross Extends Lead

The big noises in extending the Betsy Ross lead to four games were Joe Kozar with a 555 count and Ivan Rozanc with a 505 total. For the whitewashed Napredek Bums little Johnny Smrnik was high.

### Ivies Win in Thriller

The Ilirska Vila No. 2 crew came out with two wins in their thrilling encounter with the St. John Saints. Laddie Debevec, alias Dick Merriwell, provided most of the thrilling action with his 546 series and Stan Pechaver with a 484 total assisting the Ivies in their wins. For the Saints Frankie Znider's 529 count enabled them to their lone victory and Jim Ruzic with 492 also helping.

### Two Hundred Circle

The select two hundred circle was entered by Mike Poklar with 215.

### American Fraternal Union Standings, Dec. 26th

	W	L
1 Betsy Ross	28	14
2 Ilirska Vila No. 1	24	18
3 Collinwood Boosters	22	20
4 Ilirska Vila No. 2	21	21
5 Napredek Cavaliers	21	21
6 St. John Johnnies	18	24
7 St. John Saints	17	25
8 Napredek Bums	17	25

### Team High 3 Games

1 Ilirska Vila No. 1	2566
2 Betsy Ross	2562
3 St. John Johnnies	2544

### Team High 1 Game

1 Betsy Ross	925
2 Collinwood Boosters	908
3 Ilirska Vila No. 1	894

### Individual High 3 Games

Stan Zagore	623
Ivan Rozanc	592
Frank Fortuna	577

### Individual High 1 Game

Joe Jermáin	255
Bill Quinn	244
Stan Pechaver	236

### Individual Averages

1 Rozanc	173
2 Poklar	172
3 Quinn	170
4 Kozar	168
5 Zagore	167
6 Martich	166
7 L. Debevec	164
8 Prime	163
9 J. Ulyan	161
10 F. Smrnik	160
11 L. Laurich	160

### Schedule for Friday, Jan. 2nd

Alleys 1-2	
St. John Saints vs Ilirska Vila 1	
Alleys 3-4	
Betsy Ross vs Collin. Boosters	
Alleys 5-6	
Nap. Bums vs Ilirska Vila No. 2	
Alleys 7-8	
St. J. Johnnies vs Na. Cavaliers	
Joseph L. Kozar, Sec'y AFU Bowling League	

a stop. The young driver, being of a different generation fails to consider the problems of the oldsters who has grown up before the automobile era, the younger person may not realize that people who are past 50 cannot move fast enough to get out of the path of a vehicle moving 25 miles per hour. All too often persons who are struck by vehicles moving no faster than 20 miles per hour are fatally injured or die as a result of complications from the injuries. With the aforementioned facts in mind, it is well to remember that courtesy will cure all traffic ills.

Geo. J. Matowitz,  
Chief of Police

**Lodge No. 190, AFU, of Butte, Montana, is sponsoring a dance January 25, 1942.**

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**Lodge No. 190, better known as Western Sisters, is sponsoring a dance Jan. 25th, 1942 in Butte, Montana.**

### ROSE CHELEDINAS IS EDITOR

Roundup, Mont. — It's been, well years I guess, since I last wrote to the Juvenile Page. So, finally, I thought I'd better write before I get too old to contribute to this page.

During the last few months of this summer I worked at Old Faithful in Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming. The park is really a beautiful place. I had always thought that people exaggerated its beauties, but since I've seen for myself I know this isn't so. It was a lot of fun working there, even though I missed the first week of school. My sister, a girl friend and I worked there. There were also others from here that we knew working at various places in the park. It was really an experience being away from home and on your own. This was the first time I have ever been out of Montana. I plan to go back next year if I get a chance.

They have started first aid classes for the high school students here. It is held just about every night for two hour periods. It's really interesting. So far, I've learned how to put on bandages and give artificial respiration.

Well, the third issue of our school paper will be coming out this week. I'm editor and also art editor, and boy do we have to rush around a couple of days before it is published. We only publish it once a month and it sure is a hard job cutting the stencils.

Also this week is Thanksgiving. Montana as a state is celebrating both of them. We're only getting out of school for the last one, so that's the one most people around here are celebrating.

Well, I've exceeded my 200 words, so I'd better close. Goodbye now!

Rose Cheledinas,  
Lodge 88, AFU

### BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS

Ely, Minn. — Today it is awfully cold. Surprising part of it is we don't have much snow. It doesn't seem quite right to me.

I recently heard from my sister in Oakland, California. Her letters are so interesting. She said she took a trip to San Francisco where she saw 30 British Bombers. She said they looked like gigantic monsters.

I was rather angry waiting so long for the Nova Doba Juvenile page, but it finally came. I'll say we can't go without the Magic Carpet Juvenile Page. Anyway, I can't.

I suppose you all will buy Christmas seals to help fight tuberculosis. I am, and that's for sure. Maybe someday or I might be using some of that money. One never can tell.

I've been using the typewriter so much, the tape has been worn out. I just love to type. I expect to earn my own living some day by being a stenographer. That's a long way off, though, as I intend going through high school and college.

Well, I'm all out of news, and I hope Santa is good to you all. Be sure to hang up your biggest stocking if you expect to get much.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, everybody!

Louise Harvat,  
Lodge 1, AFU

### BUY DEFENSE STAMPS

New Derry, Pa. — I shall not break my promise to write each month, so here I am again. This article will make it No. 8 for me. The weather is bad, it being very cold, and of course, the gardens are a long time gone.

I see that I didn't influence very many people to buy Defense Stamps. I guess they're like me. They like candy better than Defense stamps. Anyway, right now, I have 15 stamps.

My brother who is in the Army, stationed in California, sent us his picture.

I want to thank the editor for correcting my mistakes in the last issue. There certainly were many articles on the Magic Carpet Page.

Fall-time is almost gone and winter just around the corner. You can tell by many signs, birds, etc.

I have composed a poem which I hope will enable our government to sell more Defense Stamps.

**DEFENSE STAMP POEM**  
Save for Defense of the USA  
Save for Continued Liberty  
**BUY U. S. SAVINGS STAMPS**  
You'll help the Army manufacture tanks.

Preserve and Protect our beautiful country  
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Boys and girls can contribute their share  
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### AMERICANS STICK TOGETHER

Cleveland, O. — It's been quite some time since we've had a Juvenile Page so I'm hoping to see many articles appearing next month—December as it will be the last month of the year so come on young juveniles, send your articles in now.

School . . . homework . . . studies. I guess that is the reason most of us can't find time to write articles. School is certainly hard this term—last year you know. Then the future? No one knows what will hold for us looking at one side of the present world affairs and they are serious if you really think about it more than once. Just as long

as we, as Americans all stick together and each and everyone does his part, there is no great worry!

# The Magic Carpet Juvenile Page

ing yet. In this kind of weather I go skating at the Ak-Sar-Ben Coliseum, but usually I go to Riverview Park which is about six blocks from my home.

I have many small hobbies, such as saving souvenirs, favors, etc. I don't have very much time to spend on these things so they don't amount to much.

I haven't anything else to say at present so I guess I'll close. Just in case I don't write another letter before the twenty-fifth, I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Josephine Urek,  
Lodge No. 11, AFU

### NEWS FROM ELY, MINN.

Ely, Minn. — I had loads of fun the other day when I went skating for the first time this year. Teaching my cousin, Kamly Grahek to skate was fun as it was his first experience.

My cousin, Raphael Grahek volunteered for service with Uncle Sam's Army. My brother, Joseph, was 28 years old and came home finishing his enlistment.

City election took place last Tuesday. Elected to office were Joseph Koschak, John N. Maki, and Toimi Ahola, aldermen; Edwin Toms, municipal judge and Joseph Mertel, special municipal judge.

Dr. John E. Thompson, city chemist and veterinarian, left Ely with his family. He moved to Columbus, Ohio where he took over a veterinary practice.

Christmas is almost here. Everyone is busy doing their Christmas shopping. With the war going on, this holiday will not seem the same. But still Christmas comes but once a year, and with the war clouds hanging over us, many will want to make this the biggest Christmas in history. We are together yet. But soon our boys will be leaving us for the front. So let us all make the most of this one day. I hope you juveniles all get presents. A Merry Christmas to you all! I noticed recently there were few juvenile letters. Please, let us all write an article for January. Get your friends to write, too—the more, the merrier!

Margaret Mary Startz,  
Lodge No. 1, AFU

### HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

Washington, Pa. — It has been quite a while since I last wrote to Nova Doba. Since school has started, I have been quite busy with my studies, especially during the evenings.

Our school's football team has enjoyed a successful season. The team won eight games, lost two, and tied one. Since football is over for us, we are going to start right into the basketball season. We have a 12-game schedule ahead of us.

I am a member of

Marta Ostenso

# Klic divjih gosi

Pod njo je, kakor se je učila, osem tisoč milj zemlje. A kaj je na drugi strani? Nad njo so neizmerne plasti zraka, razprostirajoče se kakor krila — kam? Razmišljanje o čudežni zamotnosti in zapletenosti vsega sveta jo je ločilo od drugih Garovič. Nič več ni bila ud njihove družine. Prišla je Linda Archer in njeni nežni prste so odklenili skrivnostno ključavnico Juditinega bistva. Sprostila se je kakor razbuden metulj. Zdaj ji ni bilo več poti nazaj v temo.

Sven Sandbo pride, kakor so zatrjevali, maja meseca domov. Je li hrepenila po Svenu, ko se je cutila tako čudovito prost?

Judita je uprla oči naravnost proti nebu in zagledala skozi krošnjo bele breze zaokroženo svetlo pokrajino, ki jo je bil izoblikoval oblak na nebesnih jasninah.

Nekaj je više od Svena, morda ... svoboda, da, svoboda. Segla je z ranjenimi rokami v topaznočisto kotlo in jih dvignila, jih

potopila ponovno in ponovno dvignila, tako da so ji vsakič kralj curjale od prstov kaplice kakor drobene svelte čašice.

Mislila je na učiteljico, njene nežne roke in prijazne, smejoče se oči ... Gospodina je prišla iz nekega drugega življenja, drugega sveta. In morda se zoper vrne tjakaj. Učiteljica ne bo imela nikoli razpraskanih rok, kakor jih ima ona, odkar je vlekla tele iz močvare. Judita je skrila roke za hrbet in se pritisnila s prsimi na hladno zemljo. Mučno, brezčutno ječanje ji je prihajalo iz grla in oči so jo zaskele od solz. Bila je neznosno grda in vse njeno življenje je bilo umazano. Zdaj je zavrelo v srcu sovraštvo do Kalebja. Zajetno, močno telo

ji je ležalo odreveno na tleh in se ji je zazdelo nenadoma, ko nekaj nenačavnega na tej krasni zemlji. Nato ji je odleglo in razjokala se je kakor ženska ...

## III

Judita se je oblekla in požigala Petru. Pes je veselo priskakal k njej, nakar je počasi odkorakala proti domu. Stopala je mimo severnih pašnikov, kjer je imel Kaleb med molznimi kravami tudi nekaj mladih bikov. Naslonila se je na ograjo in je opazovala dva rejena junca, ki sta se sukala po travi in se razposajeno trkala s čeli, kjer so ju očividno pričeli srberi pravkar poganjajoči rožički. Opazila je, da sta se razvila, odkar ju je zadnjikrat glezala. Koščeno, bedasto obliječe se jima je utrdilo, boki so jima postali težji, nader gladkijši, bolj bel in debelejši. Kaleb jima bo kmalu dal obroček skozi nos in ko bodo udušili njuno besno razposajenost, bosta otopena in postala grda. Lepi živali sta in bosta nedvomno vrgla Kalebovo lepo vstopico od kakega Islandca. Ko ju je Linda gledala, je občutila čuden notranji nemir. Okrenila se je, da bi šla, in se je hudovala sama nad seboj, da so jo mlade živali tako dolgo zamudile. Toda neka radovnost, ki se je ni mogla otresti, jo je obvladovala še dlje časa. Oh, kako silovita sta postala pri svoji igri ...

Judita je začula Karlija, ki je jezdeč drobil suhljad v hosti in klical živino. Stekla je domov s posm za svojimi petami.

Ela si je baš obvezovala nogo, ko je stopila Judita s hišo.

"Ela, saj bom lahko jaz gnala jutri živino z Martinom," je rekla Judita sočutno. "Tvoja nogga je kakor od bramorja izjedena."

"Upam, da bo do jutri popolnoma zdrava," je odvrnila Ela. "Oče hoče, da grem."

"Hu!" jo je zavrnila Judita. "Torej bi šla celo s hoduljami!"

"Tiho, deklini!" je prosila

Amalija. "Ne delajta nam še kake nove neprilike nočoj. Za en dan pač zadostuje kobilna."

Vkljub temu si je prizadevala Judita, ko je prišel Kaleb iz hleva, še enkrat, da bi dokazala Elii priznajnost, iti namesto nje. Učiteljica, ki je delala za svojo pisalno mizo na drugem koncu sobe, je od strani opazovala Kalebja. Prepričana je bila, da se bo Kaleb delal, da ni slišal Judite, in res je bilo tako.

"Danes sem zvedel, da pride jutri Sven Sandbo s postaje," je rekela.

Judita je pri tej priči zardela. Ella jo je pogledala. Obema, kakor tudi učiteljici, je bilo jasno, da ves dan ni šel s farme in potem takem ni mogel zvedeti kaj takega, kajti nihče ni prišel k njim.

Ko je kmalu nato pričel govoriti kakor slučajno o drugih stvarih, se je obrnil k Juditi in dejal: "Judita, jutri lahko rabbiš na vzhodnem vrtu novo brano."

"Ela ne more iti z Martinom, ko jo boli noge," je opomnila Judita.

"Menda zato ne, Judita, ker pride Sven Sandbo iz Nykerka. Ha, ha! Zdaj sem te ujel!" Kaleb se je prešerno zakrohotal in si potegnil z roko preko brkova. Oči so mu sevtile od odkrite škodoželnosti. Kako ga je veselilo uganjati burke z dekletoma in njunimi ljubavnimi zadevami! "Premlada si, Judita, da bi frčala!" Nedavno sem opazil to. Vi tudi, kajne, gospodina Archer?"

Linda se je nasmejhala Juditi, ki je raburjeno poskočila. Kaleb jo je z nasladom opazoval.

"Mati, bojim se, da se Judita ne bi sposabila."

Okrenil se je, se skoraj neslišno zahehetal in stopil zopet ven, da bi nekaj pregledal.

"Oh, Judita, saj veš, kaj pomeni to?" je zašepetal Ela, da je Linda ne bi slišala. "Za božjo voljo, čemu se ne premaguješ?"

Ali Judita je sedela nemo in mrko pri oknu in strmela v somrak. Čez nekaj časa je vstala in pričela pomagati Amaliji pripravljati večerjo. /

"Oh, da bi pač za spremembu danes ali jutri nehali jesti," je vzdihnila Amalija. "Tako je dolgočasno."

Kaleb sploh ni prišel k večerji. Vsi, celo Linda, so vedeli, kaj to pomeni. Ko bodo odšli otroci spat, ga bodo slišali, kako bo z nizkim glasom govoril z Amalijo, in drugo jutro bo imela mati temne kolobarje okoli oči. Med večerjo je Ella gledala Judito preko mize z očitanjem, ki je mlajši deklici že postal nevšečno. Judita je naglo použila svojo večerjo in odšla po stopnicah.

Kaleb se je vrnil v hišo, kar je pomenilo, da je čas iti spat. Govoril je sicer prijazno, toda Amalija je videla, kaj se skriva pod njegovo prijaznostjo. Otroci in Linda so odšli na podstrešje. Kaleb je bil ura, ki je kazala družini čas spanja, vstanjanja, uživanja hrane in kretanja.

"Jutri morate biti ob petih vsi na nogah. Ella in Martin bosta gnala bike v Nykerku, zapomnite si," je zaklical za njimi. (Dalje prihodnjie)

Proti Ameriki so se združile vse teme sile krvavega nacizma in fašizma in vsa strupena zahrbnost domisljavega aziatskega plemena. Kdor ni zdaj pripravljen braniti Amerike po vseh svojih močih, zmožnostih in prilikah, ni vreden, da živi pod varstvom zvezdnate zastave.

Janko N. Rogelj:

## Ohio Fraternal Congress

Letošnje zasedanje Ohijskega bratskega kongresa se je zavrnalo v hotelu Commodore Perry v Toledu, Ohio, dne 5. in 6. decembra 1941. Poleg Ameriške bratske zveze so bile na tem kongresu zastopane še sledeče jugoslovanske podporne organizacije: Hrvatska bratska zajednica, delegata William M. Boyd in Daniel Stakich; Slovenska narodna podpora jednota, delegata Frank Barbič in K. Zarnick; Slovenska dobrodelna zveza, delegat Frank Surtz.

Zborovanje se je pričelo ob deseti uri dopoldne, dne 5. decembra. Sejo je otvoril John A. Willo, predsednik kongresa, s primernim nagovorom. Nato so prinesli v dvorano ameriško zastavo, nakar je delegacija zapela pesem: "America." Delegate in delegatne je pozdravil župan mesta Toledo. Na kratki županov pozdrav je odgovorila Mrs. Mayme Hippler, podpredsednica kongresa.

S tem so bile uvodne ceremonije zaključene ter se je prešlo na uradna poročila uradnikov, citanje zadnjega zapisnika ter imenovanje posameznih odsekov. S tem delom je bila zaključena prva seja tega zborovanja.

Opoldne je bilo skupno kosišo vseh delegatov in gostov. Častni gost in govornik je bil uradnik zavarovalninskega oddelka v Columbusu, Ohio, Hon. J. Roth Crabbe, ki je orisal delovanje bratskih podpornih organizacij v državi Ohio. V svojem nagovoru je posegel v zgodovino bratskega udejstvovanja, ki se je pričelo že pri primitivnem človeku, ko še ni bilo prave civilizacije na svetu. S svojim pripovedovanjem je omenil bratsko udejstvovanje pri starih Grkih, potem pri Rimljanih. Opisal je organizacije v srednjem veku, ki so imele sličen namen, kot ga imajo danes naše podporne organizacije. Končno nam je podal pričetek bratskega zavorovanja v Ameriki. Nato nam je prečital statistiko bratskih organizacij v državi Ohio.

Ob drugi uri popoldne se je pričela druga seja. Govoril je John Little o pridobivanju članov. Sledil mu je T. E. Herrick, podpredsednik Cleveland Trust Co., ki je obenem tudi kazal premične slike, ki nosijo naslov: Song of City.

Zvezčer se je vrnil banket. Govorniki so bili slednji: John A. Willo, predsednik kongresa. Njegov nagovor je bil patriotski, zaključen z velikim zavajanjem v zmagu Amerike, Anglije in Rusije. Sledil mu je Hon. Fred A. Service, dober govornik, velik fraternalist in zelo družaben človek. Njegovi govorji so vedno prepleteni z zdravim in ustoličenje uradnikov, nakar se je petjem zaključil štiri in dvajseti sestanek Ohijskega bratskega kongresa.

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Pri popoldanskem zasedanju kongresa se je najprvo zavrsila spominska ceremonija, ki je v navadi pri angleških bratskih organizacijah. Sledile so volitve in ustoličenje uradnikov, nakar se je petjem zaključil štiri in dvajseti sestanek Ohijskega bratskega kongresa.

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Na tem banketu je bil njegov govor predlog, da smo se že naveličali vsega. Tretji govornik je bil Alex O. Benz, prejšnji predsednik Narodnega bratskega kongresa v Ameriki. Njegov dobro zamišljeni govor je vezal sedanje ameriško stanje z delovanjem ameriških bratskih organizacij. Apeliral je na vse dele, da naj vse fraternalisti stojijo trdno za načrti in delom naše vlade v Washingtonu, da ohranimo Ameriki način življenja, katerega moremo uživati le v svobodni državi. Povedal je, da se mu je do sedaj še vedno posrečilo, da so bili ne-naklonjeni predlogi zavrnjeni že pri odsekih postavodajev.

Nad vse koristno so predavanja, ki izmenjavajo mnenja vodilnih fraternalistov, ki posvečajo svoj čas in delo za napredok skupnega bratskega udejstvovanja.

Na načelu je bila tudi petje, a po banketu običajen ples.

V soboto zjutraj smo imeli tri govornice. Tajnik Ohijskega bratskega kongresa, Robert S. Cox, je govoril o vrednosti dollarja, ki se ga vplača bratskim organizacijam. Sledil mu je Paul Speicher, strokovnjak na polju bratskega udejstvovanja. Izbo-

ren govornik, ki je analiziral vsakdanjo potrebo bratskega zavorovanja. Posegel je v življenje človeka in njegovih produkтивnih sil, ki se manjšajo od leta do leta. Poudarjal je odgovornost posameznika, ki jo ima do samega sebe v letih, ko bo njegova telesna moč upešala. In če ima človek še odgovornost za svojo družino, potem je ta odgovornost še večja na večer njegovega življenja. Naglaševal je, da mora vsak človek hraniti in investirati del njegovega zasluga za poznejša leta. In hranitev tega denarja je najbolj varna in ekonomična v bratskih podpornih organizacijah, ki so se skozi zadnjo krizo pokazale varne in zanesljive, kajti niti ena izmed njih ni zaprla svoja vrata, ko je marsikatera ameriška zavarovalninska družba prenehala poslovati ali pa je s težko prenesla krizo z vladnim posojilom. Niti ena bratska organizacija ni zaprosila za enako posilo.

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januarju je izvolila za delegata Ohijskega bratskega kongresa brata John Kumšeta, a njegov namestnik je bil brat Anton Okolish. Nobeden izmed njih se radi dela ni mogel udeležiti zborovanja, ki je bilo sklicano takoj hitro, zato sem se jaz udeležil istega.

Srečno novo leto vsem članom in članicam Ameriške bratske zveze!

### SPLOŠNI TEDENSKI PREGLED

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

in gospodarskih ekspertov zadnje dni mudil v Washingtonu, je dne 26. decembra govoril pred zveznim kongresom, kjer je bil deležen navdušenih ovacijs. Njegov govor je bil optimističen, klub temu, da bo po njegovem mnemu vojna še dolga, kajti moč Amerike, Anglije, Rusije in Kitajske narašča z vsakim dnem. Do leta 1943 bo ta moč tako narastla, da bodo zaveznički lahko na vseh frontah prešli v ofenzivo, ki mora biti zmogljiva. Posebno gromovit aplavz je sledil njegovi omembji sijajne ruske obrambe in ofenzive.

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